

two more have fifteen each, while a fourth has twelve. It means something to reach the mothers with such families.

We were glad we were asked to come to Canyon Falls for this closing time. Glad we spoke to a school like this and could preach to a people as they are. The sermon was on giving the tithe, and Uncle Jack Bowman, seventy-five years old, told us it was the first sermon he had ever heard for giving, they had always been "agin it." Uncle Jack was born in this country and has lived here most all his life. So we had a blessing in "Lovely Lee," and we carried it back with us to "Beautiful Breathitt."

C. Greshon Gunn.

NOTES FROM THE THORNWELL ORPHANAGE.

There were four additions to the Thornwell Memorial church recently. Total membership, 322; with 342 in the First church, this gives the churches of Clinton, 664 members. The Sabbath school enrollment is 750.

The falling off in the receipts of the Thornwell Orphanage since June 1, 1916, is \$3,500. There is no falling off in expenses, so that the institution is threatened with deficit, unless there is considerable increase by June 1st of this year. Too many people love the institution for this to be the case.

By the approval of the Synods of South Carolina, Georgia and Florida, the Thornwell Orphanage (Clinton, S. C.) is seeking an endowment of one hundred thousand dollars, the interest only to be used, and this is to meet the fixed charges of the salaries of teachers, matrons and physicians. As these things cost an average of forty dollars per pupil, it would leave the charge for food and clothing at only \$60 a year, which sum the Synods could easily raise for three hundred pupils. This endowment will have to be raised by private benevolence, as the trustees have promised not to canvass the church. One thousand dollars, whether given or bequeathed, constitutes a scholarship to bear the donor's name in perpetuity.

A very neat and handsome cottage for the foreman of the Technical School has just been finished and occupied. It was erected by our own shop force without outside help.

Another evidence of our efficiency was the suppression of three fires by our own little fire company, without a loss of any consequence. Several of the houses need fire escapes, and we need money to put them in. Send all gifts to Rev. W. P. Jacobs, Clinton, S. C.

GOOD LAND INDIAN ORPHANAGE.

We wish to thank all the good friends of our school who have so generously remembered us during the present year with money, groceries, bedding and clothing. Your aid, with the supplies raised on our farm last year, has enabled us to keep our work open, to care for the children under our care. We appreciate all you have done for this work, all the interest you have shown in it, all the aid you have given it, all the prayers you have offered in its behalf.

All this term, since it began in September, we have had very little serious sickness, so much less than is usual, but in the last few days an epidemic of measles has gotten among the pupils, for which we are very sorry for many reasons. So far we have no serious cases, still we do not know when some that are serious may develop. Besides the anxiety and the care and other things, sickness of any kind means more expense, in the way of medical attention, medicine and proper diet. And for all these things our available funds are very low right now.

For some time past our contributions have not been large; we buy our supplies on thirty days' time, and many of our bills are being held over, trusting for a "better day" when we can cancel them. And unless we are soon able to pay them up we are afraid our credit will be strained to its limit.

The work of the term has been good, the children, with few exceptions, have been well and happy until within the last few days when this disease first made its appearance.

Dear friends, you who have some of the Lord's money to invest, will you help us care for, train and save these children for Christ?

J. P. Gibbons.

Good Land, Okla.

HARRIS MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS.

Report of the Board of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees of the Harris Mountain Schools would respectfully present its second annual report. The favor of God upon our work has been manifested in the liberal response made to our appeals for funds to build and maintain the schools, and in the success of the teachers in winning their way to the hearts of the people and achieving wonderful results in the training of the children. Our success at the beginning has been greater than we dared to hope.

Shooting Creek School.

At the Shooting Creek School Misses Lauretta Yost and Lydia Newland have carried the work forward most efficiently. The last report indicated the largest monthly attendance since the opening of the school. Fifty-five pupils have been enrolled during the year. They come from three counties, Floyd, Franklin and Patrick. Those from Patrick County have to cross a mountain in order to reach the school. Four children have been boarded in the home and have been under the immediate care of the teachers. One of these, Mollie Clark, is an orphan, and has been entirely supported by the school. The other three, two girls and a little boy, pay nominal board. These, with our teachers, constitute a happy family. The children are eager to learn, and the teachers are fortified by the knowledge that they are doing a real work for God and man.

They have been as successful in the religious work amongst the people as they have been in the school work. The Sunday-school is well attended by both the young and old. The Rev. R. G. See preaches to them once a month. The people are appreciative and have already learned to trust to the guidance of their teachers.

Since our last report we have spent about \$36.00 in painting the interior of the school rooms and the living apartments, which made quite an improvement, and we have put water into the building. The equipment is sufficient for our present needs. Montgomery Presbyterian has given liberally to the support of this school, amounting to \$574.00. The cost of operating the school for the past year was \$800.00. We were enabled to run the school without intermission during the whole year. The cost of operating was reduced to some extent by the volunteer teachers who taught without remuneration, while the regular teachers were taking their vacation.

Cannaday School.

At the Cannaday School the building has been finished except two rooms in the garret. The building is neat, comfortable and adequate for our present needs. The equipment is also amply sufficient.

Mrs. Turner, the principal, and Miss Stephenson, the assistant, have kept house in the living apartments. These

teachers have done faithful and efficient work. They have won their way to the hearts of the people, and their success in training the children is mentioned, with enthusiasm, by the patrons of the school. The number of pupils enrolled for the winter was thirty-eight. This number will be greatly increased during the summer months. Last summer there were one hundred and ten pupils in attendance, and a like number will probably attend this summer. The indebtedness on the building is \$950.00, which we hope to raise this year. Applications are made to us to take children to board in the Home, but until we are enabled to provide more rooms we cannot take them.

It is impossible to measure the good results already obtained, but we have many unmistakable evidences of the far-reaching influence of these schools. Each of them in its community is the one helpful, constructive enterprise. The people feel it and are responding.

At Shooting Creek there were twenty professions of faith in Christ last year, and nineteen at the Cannaday School. It is perfectly evident that the school conducted as these are being conducted is the best way to do evangelistic work in the more neglected sections of our country.

Recommendations.

1. We recommend that an expression of our appreciation be conveyed to the Montgomery Presbyterian for the liberal support given by its constituents to the schools, and that to all who have helped us by their gifts and by their prayers, we gratefully acknowledge our indebtedness.

2. That in planning for our Educational Campaign, Presbytery would remind its members that their first obligation is to our mountain schools.

3. We recommend that Presbytery authorize the Board of Trustees to take steps to raise \$1,200.00 this year in addition to the amount given by the Presbyterian, and that the churches of the Presbytery be requested to open their pulpits to representatives of the schools.

4. That our teachers and their work be given a place in our prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

P. C. Clark,

President Board of Trustees.

PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF KENTUCKY.

Louisville Seminary has just completed the most successful year in its long history of nearly seventy years. The commencement exercises began with the administration of the Lord's Supper in the Harbison chapel at 4:30 Sunday afternoon, April 30th, Professor J. Gray McAllister conducting the service. At 8 o'clock that evening a great audience gathered in the Second Presbyterian church and gave close attention to the baccalaureate sermon delivered by Rev. Elmer E. Reed, D. D., president of Westminster College, Missouri. President Hemphill presided, and President H. C. McKibben, of Lane Seminary, Cincinnati, who had that afternoon taken part in the dedication of the Belknap Memorial at Warren Memorial church, offered the prayer. The reception to the graduating class, tendered by the first and second classes and the faculty, was held in the Social Room of the seminary on Monday evening, May 1st, from 8 to 10. The largest audience ever gathered for this annual occasion greatly enjoyed an evening of fellowship, story and song. Tuesday morning, May 2nd, the Board of Directors convened in annual session, and matters of great importance to the seminary were passed upon. The fine progress made on the Endowment Fund in the past year was the subject of

gratitude and comment on all sides. The Alumni Association met at 12:30, and together with the Board of Directors adjourned to the Belknap Refectory at 1:15, where a delightful luncheon was served. Here again the largest attendance in the history of the association was registered, and a fine enthusiasm prevailed. Following the luncheon the president of the association, Rev. Paul H. Moore, of Louisville, acted as toastmaster, and responses were made by the Rev. M. Marshall Allen, the new president of the Kentucky College for Women, Danville, who spoke on the value of intensive service for the kingdom; Professor H. E. Dosker, who represented the faculty, and Mr. Louis R. King, of Mississippi, who represented the graduating class, were guests of honor at the luncheon. Officers elected by the association for next year are: Rev. W. H. Hopper, Louisville, president; Rev. J. J. Rice, Nicholasville, Ky., vice-president, and Rev. E. L. Warren, D. D., Louisville, secretary-treasurer. Final exercises of commencement were held in Harbison chapel at 8 o'clock that evening. Dr. William Cumming, of Winchester, Ky., father of one of the graduates, offered prayer. The principal address of the evening was delivered by Dr. John R. Dobyns, president of the Southwestern Presbyterian University, Clarksville, Tenn., on the subject of "The Consecration of Life." The Rev. W. Francis Irwin, D. D., of Louisville, vice-president of the Board of Directors, presented the degrees and diplomas. The following were handed their degrees as Bachelors of Divinity: (See program attached.) The following were awarded diplomas for subjects covered: (See program.) President Charles R. Hemphill then awarded, on behalf of the faculty, the E. L. Warren prize of \$25 in gold to Messrs. E. E. Gabbard, of Kentucky, and S. M. Wolfe, of North Carolina. This award goes every year to the man who shows the greatest improvement in preparation and delivery of sermons and the general conduct of the service. This year it was found impossible to decide between the two graduates mentioned above, so the prize was equally divided. The final address to the graduates was then delivered by President Hemphill, and after prayer, a hymn and the benediction, the session of 1915-16 had passed into history. The members of the graduating class will be widely scattered: Cecil Atkinson, Leavenworth, Indiana; John R. Benika, not decided; J. W. Boyer, Conway, Ark.; D. James Cumming, who will go later to the foreign field, will be temporarily at Natchitoches, Louisiana; H. B. Erkman, Branson, Iowa; S. A. Ewart, Munfordville, Ky.; James Ferguson, Sedan, Kansas; E. E. Gabbard, Buckhorn, Ky.; W. U. Guerrant, Brownstown, Indiana; Louis R. King, Caldwell, Mo.; Joseph Lindsay, Vevay, Ind.; R. C. Lippard, Higginsville, Mo.; J. M. Longenecker, Louisville, Ky. (Foreign Mission field later); A. L. McDuffie, Heidelberg, Ky.; Verner Miller, Brycetown, Canada; O. L. Morgan, Minneapolis, Minn.; C. G. Partridge, Jr., Augusta, Ark.; C. L. Sentelle, Farmer, Tenn.; S. M. Wolfe, Etawah, Tenn.; A. C. McKinnon will return to the Congo the latter part of the summer, and W. E. Moore will continue in his present field at Charlestown, Indiana. Several second year men will work in Canada through the summer.

When Mr. Eddy was preaching in Pekin, and spoke of the Bible as the very Word of God, containing the message of salvation, a rich Chinaman in the audience was so impressed with what he heard that he said: "I will buy two thousand of these Bibles and send them to my friends." And he did so, though they cost him \$400.